Education, Mahila Samakhya, Mid-Day Meal Scheme, District Primary Education Programme and the latest being Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan which will prove a historic stride towards achieving the long cherished goal of UEE, have been introduced.

The various centrally sponsored enrichment schemes such as Educational Technology, Improvement of Science and Environmental Education, Value Education, National Population Education and Computer Literacy Programme have also been introduced. The Government has always taken care of the educational disadvantaged groups in rural areas. In this context Navodaya Vidyalayas have been established which are fully residential schools and provide good quality modern education, to all talented children in rural areas irrespective of socio-economic conditions. Education in Navodaya Vidyalayas, boarding and lodging, textbooks, uniforms etc. is free for all students.

State Governments have also taken several measures in this regard. These measures include free education upto elementary stage, free text books and uniform etc. for weaker sections etc.

Review of operation Black Board

3088. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the Centrally Sponsored Operation Black Board Scheme;

(b) if so, the various works undertaken through this scheme in each State during the last three years; and

(c) the allocation of funds made to different States and achievements, made thereunder since inception of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The scheme of Operation Blackboard was launched in 1987-88 to provide essential facilities in all primary schools (existing as on 30.9.1986) in the country such as two classrooms, two teachers and teaching learning equipment. The scheme has an in-built mechanism for continuous review through Quarterly Progress Reports. The above process is

supplemented by periodic meetings and conferences with the State Education Officials for effective monitoring. All targetted 5.23 lakh primary schools have been sanctioned teaching learning equipment under the scheme while 1.49 lakh posts of teacher were sanctioned for single teacher primary to make them two teacher schools. The scheme has been expanded during 1993-94 to provide third teacher/ third classroom to primary schools where enrolment exceeds 100 and to cover upper primary schools with the provision of an additional teacher and teaching learning equipment.

A statement giving State-wise details of physical and financial achievements under Operation Blackboard scheme from the inception of the scheme is given at Page No. 131 and 132.

Statement

Details of physical and financial achievements under Operation Blackboard from 1987-88 to 2000-2001 (as on 19.3.2001)

Sl. No.	States/UTs	No. of Pry. School covered for teaching learning equipment.	Posts of Addl. Teachers sanctioned for single teacher primary school.	Posts of 3rd teacher sanctioned for pry. Schools with enrolment more than 100.	Addl. Room constructed by States/ UTs as per OB norms.	No. of Upper Pry. Schools covered for teaching learning equipment.	Posts of Addl. Teachers sanctioned for upper primary school.	Total funds released for procurement of TLE and salary of teachers appointed under OB scheme (Rs. in Lakh)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Andhra Pradesh	43,706	18,032	20,849	22,135	11,109	5,380	31,149.02
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	952	526	225	154	301	0	897.78
3.	Assam	25,970	8,903	1,723	4,079	6,730	6,730	15,841.18
4.	Bihar	51,355	13,303	0	18,462	3,558	0	21,300.54
5.	Goa	966	167	2	242	108	0	274.51
6.	Gujarat	12,393	2,374	0	3,601	16,289	0	9,682.98
7.	Haryana	7,445	382	199	900	1,204	1,204	1,316.64
8.	Himachal Pradesh	6,934	1,951	838	1,834	2,622	347	4980.73
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	7,768	4,380	1,200	3,488	2,668	2,668	6,237.89
10.	Karnataka	22,281	14,350	3,855	17,492	19,013	18,916	44551.44
11.	Kerala	6,674	0	0	235	2,834	0	1691.89
12.	Madhya Pradesh	64,722	22,163	22,163	13,208	6,445	6,445	21,543.48

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13.	Maharashtra	36,800	15,604	4,200	21,668	16,864	10,969	33,182.01
14.	Manipur	2,550	338	0	303	398	0	457.00
15.	Meghalaya	3,141	1,969	200	2,503	733	733	2,730.32
16.	Mizoram	1,015	119	171	152	752	106	755.27
17.	Nagaland	1,190	42	95	3	427	161	324.11
18.	Orissa	34,178	14,112	5,258	5,430	10,023	10,023	24,890.04
19.	Punjab	12,925	1,457	0	1,941	2,687	2,687	5,694.24
20.	Rajasthan	27,023	15,352	1,692	9,225	6,865	2,903	23,884.55
21.	Sikkim	509	45	0	33	120	0	124.66
22.	Tamil Nadu	29,255	2,724	4,613	10,888	3,388	0	7,051.94
23.	Tripura	1,927	145	210	1,070	435	435	1,092.42
24.	Uttar Pradesh	70,438	8,891	11,800	33,283	19,148	5,310	31,910.58
25.	West Bengal	48,450	1,679	3,750	12,918	2,648	2,353	7,748.57
26.	A & N Islands	182	7	2	10	44	0	30.90
27.	Chandigarh	23	0	0	1	—	0	1.17
28.	D&N Haveli	120	80	0	54	37	0	36.46
29.	Daman & Diu	32	0	0	2	43	0	21.44
30.	Delhi	1,688	0	0	10	437	196	427.83
31.	Lakshadweep	19	0	0	0	4	0	2.48
32.	Pondicherry	271	51	0	101	75	44	139.95
	TOTAL	522,902	149,146	83,045	185,425	138,009	77,610	299,973.21